

FAO CORPS SELECTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Before filling out this form, all applicants must be familiar with Chapter 28 of DA PAM 600-3

PART I – BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

NAME	RANK	YG	BRANCH	SSN
Phone Number (Primary)		Phone Number (Alternate)		
Email Address (Primary)		Email Address (Alternate)		
Current Address:				
Marital Status	Citizenship of Spouse?	Have they applied for US Citizenship?	If applied, what is expected date of completion?	
Are you married to another service member?	Have you ever been passed over for promotion at your current grade?		Do you have family members on EFMP?	
Date of availability to start training:	Date of completion of Company Grade Key Developmental job and job title?			
Accessions process being used to apply to become a FAO. Is it through the Functional Designation Process (FD), Voluntary Transfer Incentive Program (VTIP), Call to Active Duty (CAD), Inter service Transfer (IST) or Other?				

PART II – FAO QUALIFICATIONS

DEFENSE LANGUAGE APTITUDE BATTERY/TEST (DLAB/DLAT) - A DLAB score is MANDATORY for all FAO applicants regardless of additional language qualifications. Ensure your DLAB is reflected on your ORB or include your test results with this application.				DLAB SCORE:
Current Foreign Language Proficiency				
LANGUAGE	LISTENING	READING	SPEAKING	DATE
1.				
2.				
3.				
BACHELORS DEGREE (School and Major):				GPA
MASTERS DEGREE (School and Major):				GPA
GRE SCORES - GRE Scores are MANDATORY for all FAO applicants unless they have a masters degree in a discipline outlined in DA PAM 600-3, Chap. 28-3, 4d. GRE scores must meet the Army standard of 500/500/4.0 as outlined in AR 621-1, Chapter 3-3f. FAO Corps does not accept GMAT in lieu of GRE. Include a copy of your scores with this application.			VERBAL	
			WRITING	
			QUANTITATIVE	

PART III – NOTES FOR POTENTIAL APPLICANTS

All Applicants must acknowledge that they have read the following statements by checking/or putting their initials in the block to the right:

Many FAO assignment locations do not provide comprehensive health care and are not suitable for EFMP dependents. However, Army assignment regulations dictate that the FAO must be deployable and could be assigned anywhere within their Area of Concentration. Therefore, FAOs COULD BE STATIONED OVERSEAS WITHOUT THEIR DEPENDENTS. If this possibility is unacceptable, you should reconsider becoming a FAO.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spouses must be a US citizen or have begun the naturalization process before you can begin FAO training. If your spouse does not intend to become a US citizen, you cannot be a FAO.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Applicants who are married to another service member must understand that many FAO locations are in areas that are greatly removed from the larger US Army infrastructure. While FAO Branch will attempt to accommodate officers, this will be extremely difficult to accomplish. If applicants are married to another service member, THEY MUST BE PREPARED TO SERVE MULTIPLE, AND POSSIBLY REPETITIVE ASSIGNMENTS, APART FROM THEIR SPOUSE.	<input type="checkbox"/>
While it is not required for the initial application, all FAOs must be eligible to hold a TS/SCI clearance. If you cannot gain or hold a TS/SCI clearance, you cannot be a FAO.	<input type="checkbox"/>
All applicants must understand that, notwithstanding their preferences indicated in Section VI of this application, they must be prepared to accept any Area of Concentration based on needs of the Army. BY APPLYING FOR FAO, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I MAY BE ASSIGNED TO ANY AOC DEPENDING ON NEEDS OF THE ARMY.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Email G-3/5/7 DAMO-SSF (FAO Proponent) at: damossffa48@conus.army.mil
or Fax (703-602-8198)

PART IV –ARMY AND FAO EXPERIENCE

A. List all OCONUS assignments or deployments and length of stay in each location:

B. List any non military experiences you have had either living or traveling in any of the FAO regional areas of concentration. Please include time length in those areas. In addition, describe any activities you participated in that gave you unique insights into the culture, government, military, etc. Do not include deployments/OCONUS assignments or vacation/casual travel.

C. List any/all other Army programs that you are currently participating in or for which you have a current application submitted. Some examples include but are not limited to: Army Fellowships, USMA teaching or cadre program, Expanded Graduate School Program (EGSP), etc. Please include name of program, date started, date concluded or will conclude and any other information you deem pertinent:

PART V – OFFICER’S COMMENTARY

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT: Use this page to describe why you want to become a Foreign Area Officer. You can expand upon information provided on previous pages. This is your chance to tell us why you should be a FAO. DO NOT WRITE MORE THAN ONE PAGE.

PART VI – FAO AREA OF CONCENTRATION PREFERENCES

Your area of concentration (AOC) and training program will be determined by the needs of the Army; taking into account your preferences, language aptitude, current language proficiency, military background, and previous experience and studies. In order to support ongoing operations, certain AOCs are in increased demand by operational commanders. **Therefore, all applicants must include one high demand AOC (48D, 48G, 48I, 48J) as one of their four preferences.**

INSTRUCTIONS: In part A, please make up to four choices for your preferred AOC. In part B, please list your preferred languages that correspond to the AOC choice you made in part A.

A. AREA OF CONCENTRATION		B. LANGUAGE PREFERENCE
1 ST CHOICE		1.
		2.
		3.
2 ND CHOICE		1.
		2.
		3.
3 rd CHOICE		1.
		2.
		3.
4 TH CHOICE		1.
		2.
		3.

FAO AOCs, LANGUAGES AND LANGUAGE DIFFICULTY CATEGORY

48B – The Americas	Spanish (1); Portuguese (1)
48C - Europe	Dutch (1); French (1); Italian (1); Norwegian (1); Portuguese (1); Spanish (1); German (2); Romanian (2) Czech (3); Greek (3); Hungarian (3); Polish (3); Serbo-Croatian (3); Turkish (3)
48D – South Asia	Bengali (3); Dari (3); Hindi (3); Pashto (3); Urdu (3)
48E – Eurasia	Russian (3); Ukrainian (3)
48F - China	Chinese Mandarin (4)
48G – North Africa, Middle East, the Levant	Farsi (3); Arabic (4)
48H – North Asia	Korean (4); Japanese (4)
48I – Southeast Asia	Indonesian (2); Malay (2) Tagalog (3); Thai (3); Vietnamese (3)
48J – Sub-Saharan Africa	French (1)

Note: Numbers in parentheses indicate the language difficulty category per AR 11-6, Chapter 3-3.

Category 1: Minimum DLAB score of 95

Category 2: Minimum DLAB score of 100

Category 3: Minimum DLAB score of 105

Category 4: Minimum DLAB score of 110